Allocation for development of cities and towns in A.P.

1226. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state;

(a) the amount allocated to Andhra Pradesh for the development of cities and towns for the past three years, year-wise;

(b) whether there is any proposal to increase the amount to develop the towns and cities of Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Central assistance released under the Scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns to Andhra Pradesh during the last three years is as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

1986-87	123.50
1987-88	108.70
1988-89	61.50
TOTAL:	293.70

(b) and (c) Consequent upon a decision to include some towns under IDSMT out of the towns listed by National Commission on Urbanisation for priority development, Andhra Pradesh has been allocated one town, for which project report is awaited from the State Govt.

New Mineral Policy

1227. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced the new mineral policy;

(b) if so, the broad details thereof; and

(c) if the reply to Part (a) above be in the negative by when the policy will be announced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The draft of the National Mineral Policy for non-fuel and non-atomic minerals is under the consideration of the Government at present.

Memorandum from Chambers of Motion Pictures Producers etc.

1228. SHRI GOPALA RAO, RAO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any memorandum/representation from the Chamber Motion of Picture Producers (C.H.A.M.P.P.), the Film Distributors Council (F.C.D.) and the Indian Motion Pictures Distributors Association (I.M.P.D.A. in April, 1989; and

(b) if so, the details of the memorandum and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) The Government received a representation from the Film Distributors Council in April, 1989. However, no memorandum/representation appears to have been received from the Chamber of Motion Picture Producers (C.H.A.M.P.P.) and the Indian Motion Picture Distributors Association, (I.M.P.D.A.) in April, 1989.

(b) In their representation, the Film Distributors Council had stated

that the distribution sector had been badly hit due to the advent of TV and video and the Council sought representation of the distribution sector in the Inter-Departmental Committee constituted by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting on 14.2.89 with a view to studying the problems of film industry and making suitable recommendations to the Central|State Governments for resolution of these problems. The demand made by the Council was examined in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. It has been decided that the representatives of distribution sector could be invited when i ssues relevant to distribution are discussed by the Committee.

Problems due to provisions of Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act

1229. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the thinking of Government about the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act in view of the experience gained since the passing of the Act;

(b) whether less privileged persons have been deprived of houses because of harass provision of the Act; and

(c) if so, what remedial action Government propose to take to tide over this grave problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Several proposals for amendment to the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act 1976 are under consideration of the Government for making the implementation of the Act more effective and workable.

(b) and (c) Nothing to this effect has come to the notice of the Government.

Clearance of project proposals for manufacture of Aluminium

1230. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any project proposals have been cleared for manufacture of aluminium; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof including capacity foreign collaboration promoter, capital cost etc., if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Export of sugar

1231. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country is expected to be self-sufficient in sugar production during this financial year and whether it is likely to be surplus;

(b) if so, whether some sugar is likely to be exported; and

(c) the quantity likely to be exported alongwith the names of the countries to whom sugar is to be exported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to (e) Sugar being an agro based industry, its production depends on agro climatic factors i.e. drought conditons, excess rains etc. in the country. On the other hand, there has been steady growth in consumption. The production during the